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U.S. Patent 5,948,328 corresponds to DE 4434883 A1 and U.S. Patent 6,801,311 B1 corresponds to DE 19903001 A1.

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